

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

BEAVER COUNTY, ss.

To the Honorable the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Beaver County:

The petition of Gustave Whiteley  
of the Boro. of New Brighton in said county, and a native  
of England, respectfully sheweth: That he declared on oath  
before the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of Beaver County, Pennsylvania,  
on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Oct., A. D. 1896, that it was his **bona fide**  
intention to become a citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all alle-  
giance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, particu-  
larly to the Queen of **Great Britian and Ireland and Empress of India**,

that at the time of his arrival he was under  
eighteen years of age; that he has continued to reside in the United States since that  
period; that for three years previous to his arrival at full age it was and still is, **bona**  
**fide** his intention to become a citizen of the United States, and of renouncing forever all  
allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and  
particularly to the Queen of **Great Britian and Ireland and Empress of India**,

of whom he was at the time a subject; that your  
petitioner has resided within the United States upwards of five years, and in the State of  
Pennsylvania one year, both periods immediately preceding this, his application to  
become a citizen of the United States; and that he has never borne any hereditary title,  
or been of any of the orders of notability, in his own or any other country.

He therefore prays that, on his making the proof and taking the oath prescribed by  
law, he may be admitted a citizen of the United States of America; and he will ever  
pray, etc.

I, Gustave Whiteley, the petitioner above named, do swear that  
the facts set forth in this petition are true, that for upwards of three years it has been bona  
fide my intention to become a citizen, that I will support the Constitution of the United  
States, and that I do absolutely and entirely renounce and adjure forever all allegiance  
and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereignty whatever, and particularly  
to the Queen of Great Britian &c, of whom I was  
heretofore a subject.

Sworn and subscribed in open Court,  
this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Oct. A. D. 1896 Gustave Whiteley  
G. H. Macrae Prothonotary.

I, John C. Stansfield of the Boro of Fallstown,  
do swear that Gustave Whiteley, the petitioner above named, has resided  
within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States of America five years,  
and within the State of Pennsylvania one year; that he is a man of good moral character,  
attached to the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and  
happiness of the same.

Sworn and subscribed before me  
this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Oct. A. D. 1896 John C Stansfield  
Geo. H Macrae Prothonotary.